

Taking hold of hope and your inheritance

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(HEB 6:17-18)

What is our inheritance?

- ▶ 'But charge Joshua and encourage him and strengthen him, for he shall go across at the head of this people, and he will give them as an inheritance the land which you will see.' (Deu 3:28)
- ▶ "However, there will be no poor among you, since the LORD will surely bless you in the land which the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, (Deu 15:4)
- ▶ "For the LORD'S portion is His people; Jacob is the allotment of His inheritance. (Deu 32:9)
- ▶ "For You have separated them from all the peoples of the earth as Your inheritance, as You spoke through Moses Your servant, when You brought our fathers forth from Egypt, O Lord GOD."
- ▶ (1Ki 8:53)

Inheritance needs heirs

- ▶ "And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.
- ▶ (Act 20:32)
- ▶ also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will,
- ▶ (Eph 1:11)
- ▶ In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation-- having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.
- ▶ (Eph 1:13-14)
- ▶ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to *obtain* an inheritance *which is* imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,
- ▶ (1Pe 1:3-4)

- ▶ "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" (Luk 11:13)
- ▶ For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him* so that we may also be glorified with *Him*. (Rom 8:14-17)
- ▶ He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to *the* hope of eternal life. (Tit 3:5-7)

The anchor of hope

- ▶ In the same way God, desiring even more to show to the heirs of the promise the unchangeableness of His purpose, interposed with an oath, so that by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us. **This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a *hope* both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil,** (Heb 6:17-19)
- ▶ Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God. And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope; and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us. For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. (Rom 5:1-6)

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- ▶ **Do you know about your inheritance?**
 - ▶ **Do you know you are no longer a slave but a son and heir?**
 - ▶ **Based on the worth He has placed on you are you holding on to hope.?**